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TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program Institutions

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SUBJECT: **Review Requirements for At-Risk Afterschool Care Centers  
Participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)**

Sponsoring organizations must use the review procedures outlined in the current CACFP regulations to review at-risk afterschool care centers. This memo amends the December 9, 1999 guidance entitled, "Afterschool Snacks in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the At-risk Component of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), Questions and Answers, Edition 3" (USDA CACFP Policy Memo FY 2000 #03), as it pertains to review requirements.

The proposed rule for the afterschool snack components of the NSLP and CACFP, published October 11, 2000 (65 FR 60502), included review requirements unique to at-risk afterschool care centers. Pending publication of the final rule which will address all monitoring requirements for at-risk afterschool care centers, the requirement described below must be utilized.

**Sponsored At-Risk Afterschool Care Centers**

CACFP regulation, 7 CFR 226.16(d)(4)(i), mandates that sponsors conduct three reviews of sponsored facilities each year. At least two of the required reviews must be unannounced and at least one of the unannounced reviews must include a meal observation. Reviews must be conducted no more than six months apart, and new centers must be reviewed within six weeks of starting operations.

At-risk afterschool care centers were not specifically mentioned in the interim regulations published on June 27, 2002, which implemented the CACFP provisions of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act and the Grain Standards Act (including modifications to review requirements for CACFP institutions and sponsored facilities), because the final rule on the afterschool snack component of CACFP has yet to be published.

If you have questions, contact the CACFP at (517) 373-7391.

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